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Serial No.: 09/729,520) Examiner: Epperson, Jon D.
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For: Method for Generating a Library of)
Mutant Oligonucleotides Using the)
Linear Cyclic Amplification Reaction)

RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT MAILED OCTOBER 31, 2002

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In response to the Restriction Requirement dated October 31, 2002, Applicants respectfully request that the following amendments be made. A clean version of the rewritten, added, and/or cancelled claims with instructions for entry pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.121 (c)(1)(i) is included beginning on page 2 of this communication. A marked-up version of the rewritten, added, and/or cancelled claims pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.121 (c)(1)(ii) is attached as Appendix I. A clean version of the entire set of pending claims pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.121 (c)(3) as they would appear following entry of this amendment is attached as Appendix II. None of the amendments to the Claims is intended to narrow the scope of any of the amended Claims within the meaning of *Festo*[1].

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[1] *Festo Corp. v. Shoketsu Kogyo Kabushiki Co.*, No. 95-1066, 2000 WL 1753646 (Fed. Cir. N v. 29, 2000).

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